The one thing of real value I've seen in the first quarter of High Treason 2 Livingstone makes no other use of, the fact that Humes perjured himself in swearing that he did not phone Perry until the next morning. Livingstone does not relate this to the Commission, the autopsy, Humes or any investigative body.

He does not even point out the significance of Perry being pressured before the autopsy report writing began to change what he said to make it consistent with a single-bullet, single assassin theory/solution.

He does not point out the significance of so rapid a decision to say there had been no conspiracy.

Or that the prosectors knew what Perry had said to the press.

As I recall, Humes said he phoned Perry about 11 a.m., once. I think Perry testified that Humes phoned him twice.

Livingstone does not compare this with what the Commission said and Humes testified to or even incicate that it and Humes lied. He is wound up in his own theories and misses the real significance of this.

Among other things it has to reflect an almost immediate policy decision, prior to the Katzenbach memo of 11/25. By whom and how communicated to Humes et al we do not know.

It can, of course, as Livingstone and others have alleged, reflect an official decision to assassinate Kennedy, although this does not necessarily follow. For example, that was Hoover's decision before the autopsy began.

Livingstone does not even point this out!

I can only wonder what is in the simply enormous number of his taped interviews that has significance in which he was not interested because it did not advance his own theory or make points against Lifton in their feud, which, the feud, appears to be a major motive for writing the book. He keeps hammering on Lifton, whose name he never once mentions. The one mention is in a direct quote from someone that he uses. Not mentioning Lifton's name defeats this anti-Lifton purpose because aside from a minuscule number of critics nobody else can understabd whag Livingstone is up to.

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